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AMENDMENT AFTER FIRST OFFICE ACTION

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 Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Please consider the following in response to the Office Action mailed on March 7, 2008. This response is being filed within the three month period for reply (to and including June 7, 2008), so no extension of time is believed to be needed. However, if an extension is necessary, Applicants request that the Commissioner provide such extension and deduct any associated fees from Deposit Account 13-0014.

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